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The proposed settlement in US v. Microsoft needs should be approved. I am writing the courts because I don't support many of the arguments made by the federal government and State Attorney's General. The settlement adequately remedies the situation and should be endorsed by the courts.

The Federal Government and 19 State Attorney's General argued that this case is on behalf of consumers. According to their argument, consumers paid higher prices for software because of Microsoft's anticompetitive practices. Yet, questioning by Appellate Judges during one phase of the trial gave no examples of consumers who suffered harm by Microsoft's business practices. Furthermore, arguing that consumers have suffered in the web browser market is ridiculous. I can get Netscape or Explorer for free.

Most of the class action suits claiming consumer harm against Microsoft have been dismissed. The settlement creates a government representative to oversee Microsoft's actions and prevent any unfair practices. The courts should approve of this settlement.

Sincerely,

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